

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

The specification as amended below with replacement paragraphs shows added text with underlining and deleted text with ~~striketrough~~.

Please REPLACE the paragraph beginning at page 2, line 21, with the following paragraph:

In view of the foregoing, where in the rocker arm manufactured by the use of the press working technique the pivot area is defined in the connecting wall 36 as hereinabove described, the rocker arm must have a width sufficient to secure the required flat outer surface region in the connecting wall 36 and the required radius of curvature R of the outer chamfered corner. More specifically, in the rocker arm of the screw-locked-pivot type such as shown in Figs. 12A and 12B, the lock nut 43 firmly threaded onto the screw shank 37a of the pivot member 37 should not loosen under the influence of vibrations due to an automotive vehicle then running and an automotive power plant then in operation and, accordingly, the flat outer surface region of the connecting wall 36 must have a width L2 that is necessarily ~~greater~~less than the maximum outer diameter of the lock nut 43. While in the rocker arm manufactured by the use of the precision casting technique it is quite easy to reduce the radius of curvature R of the outer chamfered corner, delimited between the connecting wall 36 and each of the opposite side walls 35, down to a relatively small value, it is not so with the rocker arm manufactured by the use of the press working technique. Specifically, where the required flat outer surface region is to be secured on the connecting wall of the rocker arm manufactured by means of the press working technique, the arm width tends to increase as compared with that in the rocker arm manufactured by means of the precision casting technique, with the consequence that reduction in size and weight of the rocker arm manufactured by means of the press working technique is limited as compared with that manufactured by means of the precision casting technique.